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BROWARD COUNTY ENCOURAGES TREE PLANTING

- New Canopy Replacement Program Includes Free Trees to Residents-

WHAT: In response to the devastation to the trees and tree canopy caused by

Hurricane Wilma, the Broward County Board of County Commissioners and the Parks and Recreation Division have implemented a **BROWARD COUNTY TREE CANOPY REPLACEMENT PROGRAM**. The free-tree giveaway for Broward County residents only will begin January 28 and will continue every weekend while supplies last. Free trees are available every weekend from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at five county parks: C.B. Smith (no trees on January 29), Plantation Heritage, Reverend Samuel Delevoe, T.Y., and Tradewinds South. There is a limit of two trees per household. Proof of Broward County residency is required, such as a current utility bill or a photo ID, in order to obtain trees.

WHERE: C.B. Smith, 900 N. Flamingo Rd., Pembroke Pines, 954-437-2650;

Plantation Heritage, 1100 South Fig Tree Lane, Plantation, 954-791-1025;

Reverend Samuel Delevoe, 2520 N.W. Sixth St., Fort Lauderdale, 954-791-1036;

T.Y., 3300 N. Park Rd., Hollywood, 954-985-1980; and

Tradewinds South, 3600 W. Sample Rd., Coconut Creek, 954-968-3880.

WHEN: On weekends beginning January 28.

10 a.m.-3:p.m.

WHO: Broward County residents with proof of county residency.

HOW: Fee: The trees are free while supplies last.

For further information, call the park of your choice or 954-357-8100. The park's regular weekend and holiday gate entrance fee of \$1/person (children 5 and under free) will be in effect.

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Anyone requiring auxiliary aids for communication should call 954-357-8170 (voice) or 954-537-2844 (TTY) prior to the event so that advance arrangements can be made.